

California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Central Coast Region



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September 5, 2003

Mr. Richard W. McClure Olin Corporation Environmental Remediation Group PO Box 248 Charleston, TN 37310-0248

Dear Mr. McClure:

SLIC: 425 TENNANT AVENUE, MORGAN HILL; EXTENDED TIER 4 SAMPLING

Regional Board staff has reviewed MACTEC's July 29, 2003 *Second Quarter 2003*, *Groundwater Monitoring Report* (Report) detailing field sampling activities and results of the onsite and Tier 4 offsite well sampling. On behalf of Olin, MACTEC sampled and analyzed the onsite wells, the Tennant Avenue Well, offsite MRP wells, and Tier 4 and expanded Tier 4 wells.

Sampling results show the southern lateral extent and the vertical extent of the perchlorate plume have not been determined. Several of the southernmost wells had perchlorate detections above 4 μ g/L, indicating the perchlorate plume has migrated beyond these wells. Therefore Olin must identify and sample wells downgradient of these southernmost wells (during the third quarter of 2003) generally located south of Gilman or Leavesly Road between Monterey and Ferguson Roads. Sampling results of these wells must be included with the third quarter monitoring report.

If the vertical extent of the perchlorate plume is not determined by the existing network of sampling wells during the third quarter of 2003, you must submit a proposal such as the installation of multiple screened monitoring wells at strategic locations or an equivalent monitoring method, with the third quarter monitoring report.

Pursuant to Section 13267 of the California Water Code, Olin is required to include the above-described sampling results in the third quarter monitoring report due <u>October 30, 2003</u>. If the vertical extent is not delineated, Olin is required to submit a proposal with the third quarter monitoring report to determine the vertical extent of the plume. The Regional Board requires Olin Corporation to submit the monitoring reports in accordance with Section 13267 of the Water Code to determine the concentrations and movement of the perchlorate plume in the vicinity of the Olin site. We require Olin Corporation to submit the monitoring reports as the owner of the property and one of the previous operators of a flare manufacturing facility that caused soil and groundwater perchlorate contamination at and in the vicinity of the Olin site at 425 Tennant Avenue, Morgan Hill.

Any person affected by this action of the Regional Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) to review the action in accordance with section 13320 of the

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California Water Code and Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 2050. The petition must be received by the State Board within 30 days of the date of this order. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided upon request.

If you have any questions, please contact <u>A. John Mijares at (805) 549-3696</u> or Harvey Packard at (805) 542-4639.

Sincerely,

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